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**UPDATED NEW HAMPSHIRE AERONAUTICS ACT EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002**

Following the signing of House Bill 317 into law by Governor Jeanne Shaheen, the New Hampshire Department of Transportation's Division of Aeronautics announces a revised New Hampshire Aeronautics Act will take effect July 1, 2002.

Major changes in the revised Aeronautics Act include:

- Aircraft registration fees will be increased from \$30 to \$48 (New Hampshire resident) and from \$45 to \$63 (non-resident).
- Registration of New Hampshire pilots will no longer be required.
- Balloons will no longer be required to register with the State.
- Experimental aircraft will no longer be assessed an aircraft operating fee.
- Commercial Aviation Operator registration will only be required for businesses operating at an airport, with the registration fee increased from \$30 to \$48 annually.
- Aircraft Dealer Registration will be simplified with an annual flat fee of \$350, regardless of the number of aircraft in an inventory.
- The registration fee for airports will be eliminated.
- State aeronautical terms will be standardized with those of the Federal Aviation Administration.